

COBB BOOSTS HIS BATTING AVERAGE

Nicholson Continues to Lead National—Tie in W. L.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 22.—Oscar "Happy" Felsch, Chicago outfielder, has entered into competition with "Babe" Ruth of New York, the home run king of baseball, for the honor of leading in circuit drives in the American league. "Happy" cracked out his fifth homer in the game against Boston Wednesday, giving him two in two days and adding him to a list with the New York slugger. Each has made five homers, according to averages released today and including the games of Wednesday. Most of Ruth's homers were made on the grounds where the field is short. Those of the Chicago fly-catcher were long clean drives.

There is a merry race on the Washington club between Ruth and Felsch for the honor of being the leading base stealer. Ruth has pilfered 11 bases and Ruth 10.

Ty Cobb, the Detroit star, is gradually finding his batting eye and has boosted his average to .377.

Johnston is batting .360.

Johnson of Cleveland widened the gap between himself and Jackson of Chicago among the batters who have participated in 10 or more games. Johnson added a few points to his average last week, while Jackson dropped a few points.

Johnson is topping the list with an average of .417, while Jackson is batting .380.

Other leading batters: Kinney, Philadelphia, .364; Gedeon, St. Louis, .364; Gerber, St. Louis, .353; Felsch, Chicago, .352; Hendryx, Boston, .349; Jacobson, St. Louis, .348; Slater, St. Louis, .343; Weaver, Chicago, .343; Dugan, Philadelphia, .337; Neeking, New York, .325; Speaker, Cleveland, .319.

National League

The St. Louis National league club is in third place in team batting with an average of .269 and is ranked in last place in the percentage of games won and lost, according to averages published today and which include Wednesday's games.

Only one member of the club is hitting in the ".300" class, and this is Rogers Hornsby, the star key-batting pitcher, who is the runner-up to Nicholson of Pittsburgh.

Nicholson is leading the regulars with an average of .403 acquired in 34 games. Hornsby, in 25 games in which he has been at bat 101 times, has cracked out 42 hits for a total of 67 bases, which include eight doubles, two triples and a homer for an average of .418.

He is being pushed by Heinie Groh, captain of the Cincinnati world champions, who is trailing with .408.

Dode Faskert, the veteran outfielder of the Chicago Cubs, has joined his teammate, Robertson, and Cy Williams of Philadelphia for home run honors. The trio is tied with three apiece.

Carey Leading Thief

Max Carey, the fleet-footed outfielder of Pittsburgh, is showing the way to the base stealers with nine thefts to his credit. His nearest rival is a teammate, Southworth, who has stolen seven.

Other leading batters: Gowdy, Boston, .364; Lehouveau, Philadelphia, .361; Myers, Brooklyn, .349; Daubert, Cincinnati, .337; Twombly, Chicago, .333; Z. Wheat, Brooklyn, .323; Young, New York, .322; Burns, New York, .321; Duncanson, Cincinnati, .313; Rousch, Cincinnati, .309.

O'Mara of Indianapolis suffered a slump in batting among the American association batters and tumbled out of the lead into seventh place. James of Minneapolis, in 10 games now is topping the list with .378.

While Wikland, Toledo, showed an improvement and moved up into second place with a mark of .377.

C. C. Robertson of Minneapolis is one point behind with .376.

Brief of Kansas City has hit out ahead of Gainer of Milwaukee and Eggert of St. Paul for home run honors. Brief has five while the other two have four each.

Dressen of St. Paul is showing the way to the base stealers with 12 thefts.

Other leading batters: Henry, Columbus, .373; Tinscup, Louisville, .351; Gainer, Milwaukee, .353; O'Mara, Indianapolis, .350; Dyer, Toledo, .347; Elmer Miller, St. Paul, .342; Hemline, Indianapolis, .333; Bentley, Columbus, .326.

Blades Tops Southern

Edwards of Memphis has dethroned E. Miller of Little Rock as leading batter of the Southern association, the latter dropping into third place with an average of .342. Blades is batting .351 while Braull, Atlanta, is in second place with .345.

Carroll of Memphis has been showing his heels to the base stealers and has pulled away from Gleason of Chattanooga and Harper of Little Rock, having stolen 11 bases. Gleason stole seven and Harper five.

Other leading batters: Harper, Little Rock, .332; Moore, Louisville, .330; Wano, Little Rock, .325; Rippon, New Orleans, .315; Mack, Birmingham, .308; Carroll, Memphis, .307; Torkelson, New Orleans, .304.

Bogart and Kelleher Tied

Shelak of St. Joseph and Relch of St. Paul City have battled themselves into a tie for batting honors of the Western league and have forced Bogart of Joplin, last week's leader, from the top. The leaders are hitting at a .429 clip. East of Wichita is runner-up to the duel with an average of .425, while Bogart's mark is .398.

Bogart, however, has overtaken Kelleher of St. Joseph for stolen base honors, having pilfered 11 bases to his rival's nine.

East is out in front in home runs with six.

Other leading batters: Crisby, St. Joseph, .382; Brannon, Tulsa, .372; Des Moines, .372; Bonowitz, St. Joseph, .362; Kelleher, St. Joseph, .361; Pitts, Oklahoma City, .350; Yaryan, Wichita, .351; Dunn, Joplin, .351.

Tulsa Golfer Defeated

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, Mo., May 22.—C. E. Dent of Tulsa, Okla., was defeated by G. A. Hyde of Wichita, Kan., today in the opening round of the annual Excelsior Springs golf tournament. The score was 4 and 3.

J. E. Hanson of Nashville was defeated by F. G. Allen of Moline, Ill., 5 and 4.

Grove, One of Greatest of Sooner Athletes, Ends Collegiate Career

When Ivan H. Grove of Kendall college finished second in the broad jump in the Oklahoma intercollegiate track and field meet at Stillwater Thursday, thereby winning high individual honors in the nine-team state college championship games, he brought one of the most remarkable careers of an Oklahoma athlete to a fitting close.

Grove is one of the greatest Sooner athletes who ever wore a spiked shoe. He is a four-letter man, holding Kendall numerals in football, basketball, track and baseball. And Grove was a star in each.

Ivan entered Kendall in the fall of 1914 and won the berth as quarterback on the football team. In 1915, when Kendall was all-victorious and state and southwestern champions, Grove was named as all-state quarterback. It was that year that he was leading individual scorer on the gridiron and his fame reached the east and west. He returned to the Kendall last fall after two years service in the army, and was again named as all-state quarterback.

Grove captured the state championship Kendall basketball team last winter and was easily the best guard in the state. He has four basketball letters in addition to football. As shortstop of the baseball team, Grove was a star despite the fact that he spent a majority of his time on the track.

Grove graduates from Kendall this spring and next fall assumes the place as athletic director of the Oklahoma Baptist college of Shawnee. Grove has always been one of Kendall's leading students, and has taken the leadership in collegiate activities other than athletics. His athletic achievements which have made him nationally known have not turned the head of Grove, and he is one of the most popular of all athletes, both among his own team mates and those of the opposition.



GREATEST FIELD IN SPEED DERBY

Famous Drivers Enter 500-Mile Race at Indianapolis.

A record entry list of 32 drivers, including the most famous of the speedway kings, will face the starting flag in the 500-mile international speed classic Decoration day at Indianapolis.

Such famous drivers as Cliff Durant, millionaire pilot; Ralph De Palma, one of America's foremost drivers; Rene Thomas, famous Frenchman; Gaston and Louis Chevrolet, Americans; Jules Goux, French; Howdy Wilcox, American; Tommy Milton, American; Eddie Hearne, American; and Ralph Mulford, American.

Tulsa will be represented in the great race. Johnny Boling, proprietor of the 101 Taxi company of this city, has entered his Richards special, Boling, and Johnny Boyd, also of Tulsa, will drive.

Four Nations Represented.

France, England, Italy and the United States have entrants in the race, which carries \$25,000 worth of prizes. Entries for the first 10 range from \$20,000 to the winner to \$1,500, in addition to the fame of being the world's speed champion.

Ralph De Palma, driving a Mercedes in 1915, established the present record of 5 hours, 33 minutes and 55 1/2 seconds, an average of 89.54 miles per hour.

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